

APPENDIX OF AMENDMENTS

- 26. (<u>Twice</u> Amended) An influenza antigen comprising a fusion product, said fusion product comprising
- (i) an <u>immunogenic</u> extracellular part of <u>(a)</u> an M2 membrane protein of a human influenza A virus, [or of a similar integral membrane] <u>(b) an NB</u> protein of a human influenza B [or C] virus, <u>or (c) a CM2 protein of a human influenza C virus</u>, and
 - (ii) a presenting carrier [,
 wherein said extracellular part of the M2 membrane protein contains all or

part of SEQ ID NO:1, 2 or 3].

- 32. (<u>Twice</u> Amended) The influenza antigen of claim 31, wherein the presenting carrier comprises an epitope [of] <u>recognized by</u> an influenza-specific T helper cell or cytotoxic T cell.
- 46. (<u>Twice</u> Amended) An influenza antigen obtained by the following steps:

providing a nucleic acid construct that encodes a fusion product, said fusion product comprising (i) an <u>immunogenic</u> extracellular part of <u>(a)</u> an M2 membrane protein of a human influenza A virus, [or of a similar integral membrane protein of] <u>(b)</u>

<u>an NB protein of</u> a human influenza B [or C] virus, <u>or (c) a CM2 protein of a human</u>

influenza C virus, and (ii) a presenting [carrier] peptide[, wherein said extracellular part of the M2 membrane protein contains all or part of SEQ ID NO:1, 2 or 3];

introducing the nucleic acid construct into an acceptor cell;

culturing the acceptor cell under conditions that allow expression of the fusion product; and

optionally isolating the fusion product from the acceptor cell or its culture medium,

thereby obtaining an influenza antigen comprising the fusion product.

- 52. (Amended) The influenza [antigen] vaccine of claim [26] 35, wherein the influenza [antigen] vaccine comprises a cytokine.
- 53. (Amended) The influenza [antigen] vaccine of claim [26] 35, wherein the influenza [antigen] vaccine comprises a vaccine adjuvant that is not [Freud's]

 Freund's adjuvant.
- 54. (Amended) An influenza antigen for an animal species comprising a fusion product, said fusion product comprising
- (i) an <u>immunogenic</u> extracellular part of <u>(a)</u> an M2 membrane protein of an influenza A virus <u>or (b)</u> an NB protein of an influenza B virus of said animal species [, or of a similar integral membrane protein of an influenza B or C virus of said animal species]; and
 - (ii) a presenting carrier.